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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS: Lyons et al.  
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/005,228 EXAMINER: Maria Marvich  
FILING DATE: December 3, 2001 ART UNIT: 1636  
FOR: METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR MODULATING BONE GROWTH

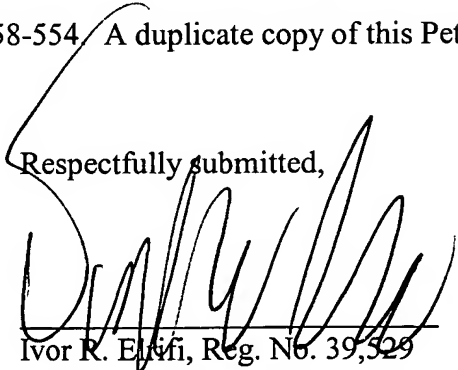
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to file a Notice of Appeal. With the extension, the response is due on or before December 19, 2005, since December 17, 2005 is a Saturday. Enclosed is a check of \$1,020.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3).

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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